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Ban Johnson Now Calls  
Monumental City Worthy

## WHITE SOX BATSMEN ARE NOW WHALING HORSEHIDE

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

If the Chicago White Sox win the 1917 pennant, and it begins to look as if they would, much of the praise will go to Joe Jackson and Eddie Collins, for these two worthies have come to life with the willow, and are whaling the pill right merrily. If they can continue through the world's series, the American League may again register a triumph over the Tener tribe.

Since August 9, when Jackson and Collins emerged from their batting doldrums, the shoeless one has thumped the horsehide for an average of .395, with Collins hitting for a percentage of .310. It is this hitting on the part of Jackson and Collins that has gone far toward giving the White Sox eighteen victories and but seven defeats since August 9.

Early in the season most baseball fans agreed that if Eddie Collins and Joe Jackson could find their batting eye, the pennant would go to Chicago. Day after day each went hitless, Happy Felsch, Chick Gandil, and Buck Weaver were doing most of the work with the stick.

The White Sox have been able to remain in the flag hunt largely because of their wonderful pitching, good fielding and timely hitting. But they would have ended all competition by July 4, had Eddie Collins and Joe Jackson started off in their old time style with the flail.

**Jackson's Long Swin.**  
Jackson has at last hit his stride with the bat, his long swins coming with their old-fashioned regularity. In twenty-three games since August 9 Jackson has been to bat eighty-six times. He has slammed out thirty-four bingles for a total of fifty bases, and a batting percentage of .395. Most of his long hits have been triples, several coming with runners on the cushions.

Eddie Collins in those twenty-three games has also been to bat eighty-six times. He has collected twenty-eight hits for a total of thirty-three bases, and a percentage of .310. Even when these two players were going without their bingles, Manager Rowland kept them at third and fourth places in the batting order, believing that they might begin hitting almost any day. Now they are winning ball games.

**First for Jackson.**  
Jackson will have his first opportunity to play in a world's series if

the White Sox are triumphant this year. The fans are already wondering what he will do to that short right field wall at the Polo Grounds. He holds the record for long hitting in New York, having knocked a ball out to the L station beyond the park fence, and he may break the hearts of many Giant followers this fall if he happens to meet a fast one in his groove.

Since August 9, when the two White Sox sluggers came to life, the Chicagoans have won eighteen and lost seven games for an average of .720. In this same time the Red Sox have muddled around, winning twelve and losing nine for an average of .572.

Beginning August 9, Jackson hit safely in nine straight games, collecting sixteen blows in that time before being stopped.

**Race Is Nearing End.**  
The race in the American League is rapidly nearing its end. The Red Sox apparently lack the heavy artillery necessary to achieve a victory for the third straight time, while the White Sox are gathering strength as they approach the finish line.

The White Sox will play in the West until September 18, when they start their final swing through the East, meeting the Mackmen in three games. Three games are scheduled for each of the seaboard cities, but real competition is expected only in Boston, none of the other teams being able to do much with the leaders.

Rowland's men are already counting their world's series money, and the reason is that Eddie Collins and Joe Jackson have hit their clouting stride.



## BAN THINKS BALTIMORE RIPE FOR BIG LEAGUERS

B. Baneroff Johnson, president of the American League and the man who has welded organized baseball into a machine that, for efficiency, equals any of America's greatest corporations, through the American, tells local fandom that Baltimore is ripe for major baseball and passes down the rock-bottom tip that the time is not distant when the city's long-cherished ambition will be realized. Czar Ban, in a clear-cut and exclusive statement to this paper, dismisses the thought that, through personal grudge held over from the old days, he has been the "nigger in the woodpile" whenever Baltimore sought entrance to baseball's select circles, says today's Baltimore American. Likewise, he has put to flight Joe Villa, of the New York Evening Sun, and many other critics who have taken delight in calling this city a minor league or 25-cent baseball town.

"I am free to confess that Baltimore is entitled to a place in the major leagues, but how it can be brought about I do not feel warranted to discuss at this time." Direct from baseball's highest power comes this statement, between the lines of which fans will readily read that there is something in the offing. It shows that organized baseball's leader sees the possibilities of Baltimore as a major league city and it can be easily construed into an admission that plans are now in the making to bring a big league team here.

**Where Dope Was Wrong.**  
Straight from the shoulder, the American recently obtained a tip that a major league franchise was coming here. It published this, using certain facts that made it appear a certainty that if such was to come to pass the Washington club would be transferred here. President Johnson's statement indicates that this is not at all the plan. Big Ban leaves a firm impression that Baltimore's big league franchise is to come from either Philadelphia, Boston or St. Louis, three cities which now have two major league clubs. For the first time Johnson tells the public through the American that he firmly believes the three cities named cannot successfully operate two major league teams. At the close of his statement there is a paragraph that carries great significance. Here it is:

"Chicago and New York are the only cities in the United States that can well sustain two major league clubs. That fact has been well demonstrated. Boston, Philadelphia, and St. Louis would be much better in a baseball way with one club to support."

It is true the patronage of the Washington club this season has been far below the standard established in previous years. I attribute this to the fact that every one in the employ of the Government is exceedingly busy and cannot spare the time for recreation of any sort. The stockholders of our Washington club have never, to my knowledge, contemplated the sale of their franchise. Mr. Minor, Manager Griffith, and Edward Walsh are the three principal stockholders, and they all denied daily that the Washington club was to be transferred. I know that no move could be made without consulting the American League and securing the consent of the seven clubs. "I can readily accept your statement of the wonderful growth of Baltimore since the big fire. Sunday baseball would certainly add to Baltimore's strength as a major league city. I am free to confess that Baltimore is entitled to a place in the major leagues, but how it can be brought about I do not feel warranted to discuss at this time. Chicago and New York are the only cities in the United States that can well sustain two major league clubs. That fact has been well demonstrated. Boston, Philadelphia, and St. Louis would be much better in a baseball way with one club to support."

## DARTMOUTH WILL HAVE SPEARS COACHING TEAM

HANOVER, N.H., Sept. 5.—Clarence Spears, who coached Dartmouth's championship freshman eleven last fall, will be in charge of the varsity this season. He will be assisted only by Harry Hillman, the Dartmouth trainer. Spears was an all-Eastern guard when in college, and he coached Dartmouth will allow freshmen to play with the varsity this year, but the new coach will benefit little, as the stars of last season's freshmen are all serving with the colors. He will have green material with which to work, beginning September 21.

## AMUSEMENTS

**BELASCO**—TONIGHT 8:30  
The Most Wonderful Play in America  
**EXPERIENCE**

By GEORGE V. HOBART.  
Original Company and Production.  
Bargain Matinee Today.  
Best seats \$1.00

NEXT WEEK—SEATS NOW.  
OLIVER MOROSCO Presents  
Frederic and Pamela Horton's New Comedy,  
**"Lombardi, Ltd."**

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**LOEW'S COLUMBIA**  
Continues, 10:20 A.M. to 12:20 P.M.  
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Best Dance Pavilions South of N. Y.

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**BASEBALL TODAY**  
WASHINGTON vs. NEW YORK  
Downtown ticket office, 615 14th.  
(Open from 8:30 to 1 P. M.)

**DANCING**  
THE LINGER CIRCUS STUDIO, 130 N. E. St.  
N. W. Hartley has just returned from N. Y. Inner Circle convention with 5 new dances, including 1918 tangos, rambler and jazz. M. 680.  
MILLERS—Belasco Theatre, M. 1825.  
Gals—The Rialto, 1422, Chicago, Tuesday and 1918 TANGOS.

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ACCESSORIES  
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## GRIFFS ARE BACK TO OPEN SESSION WITH YANKS TODAY

The Griffmen are back at Georgia avenue today, facing the Yankees in the first of four games.

Last week it was thought that these four games would be easy for the Griff, but Bill Donovan's clan suddenly came to life and administered three defeats out of four games played with the world's champions, and so now the complexion of things is different. The Griff may have to go the limit every day to win.

Joe Bush hung the bes on the Griff yesterday, 2 to 1, setting them down with four bingles. Harper was wild and touched up savagely when the opportunities to score happened along. The victory took the Mackmen out of last place into which the Brownies promptly tumbled.

**BOX SCORE.**  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Monday, Sept. 5.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Tuesday, Sept. 6.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Wednesday, Sept. 7.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Thursday, Sept. 8.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Friday, Sept. 9.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Saturday, Sept. 10.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Sunday, Sept. 11.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Monday, Sept. 12.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Tuesday, Sept. 13.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Wednesday, Sept. 14.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Thursday, Sept. 15.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Friday, Sept. 16.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Saturday, Sept. 17.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Sunday, Sept. 18.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Monday, Sept. 19.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Tuesday, Sept. 20.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Wednesday, Sept. 21.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Thursday, Sept. 22.  
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Saturday, Sept. 24.  
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Sunday, Sept. 25.  
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Monday, Sept. 26.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Tuesday, Sept. 27.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Wednesday, Sept. 28.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Thursday, Sept. 29.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Friday, Sept. 30.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Saturday, Oct. 1.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Sunday, Oct. 2.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Monday, Oct. 3.  
Philadelphia, 1; Washington, 2.  
Tuesday, Oct. 4.  
Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
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AMERICAN.  
W. L. Pct. Today.  
Chicago..... 48 27 .641  
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## SOCCER LEAGUE IS MAKING READY FOR SEASON STARTING

The success of the Baltimore and District Soccer League rests upon Washington players. Baltimore men are enthusiastically preparing for the season ahead and are intending to recruit players from the schoolboy leagues to replace those who have been called to the colors.

Secretary Fred Feder, of the Baltimore and District League, has gone over the situation carefully and is asking Washington soccer to rally around for another year of competition. The game was just getting on its feet here last year and as all the graded school teams were in competition many good players were in course of development.

A call is expected here with the approach of cool weather. It is thought that a senior representative team can be gotten up to take part in the Baltimore and District Soccer League.

The playground circuit is expected to flourish this season among the schoolboys, while the graded school circuit is expected to be in operation.

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## YANKEES BUY CATCHER FROM SALT LAKE CLUB

The New York Yankees have purchased Catcher Hannab, from the Salt Lake club of the Pacific Coast League, according to the official bulletin of the National Commission.

Hannab is the best batsman in the Coast League, and Colonel Ruppert had to outbid several National League clubs to land him.

The Tigers have bought Dreesen, a first baseman, from St. Paul and Hall from Joplin.

Paul Mueser, former Griffman, from Des Moines; McClelland, from Hutchinson, and Payne, from Marshalltown, are the White Sox purchases.

The Pirates have bought Miller from Oakland.

## WEST POINT WILL HAVE FOOTBALL THIS SEASON

WEST POINT, N. Y., Sept. 5.—The army authorities began today hustling to land opponents for their football team. A schedule had been arranged in detail, but was abandoned when Secretary Baker abolished all outside competition. Now permission has been given the Army to play out of state, except the Navy, and no time will be lost in filling out a schedule.

Capt. Geoffrey Keyes, West Point, 1912, former star halfback, will act as coach of the eleven, which is expected to play against the Navy, the All-America halfback, Captain Keyes will have no assistants in the coaching.

**AMERICAN LEAGUE DOPE.**  
Bob Veach, Ping Bodie, and Walter Pipp lead the league with seven home runs. Baker has five to his credit.

Ty Cobb's total of thirty-eight doubles is the best in the league, and his twenty-three triples is the highest total.

Joe Judge is hitting for .345, while Chick Gandil is back at .274. Judge has stolen nineteen bases to twelve for Gandil.

Ping Bodie has made twenty-four doubles, nine triples, and seven homers. He has totaled 201 bases on 158 hits.

Sam Rice has made twenty-one doubles and five triples. He has yet to hit for the circuit.

George Du Mont has taken the place vacated by Joe Engel and Rich Groom as the (Griffmen's) weakest hitter. His mark is .020.

Walter Johnson leads in strikeouts with a total of 151 in thirty-nine contests.

Though high in efficiency and in victories, Jim Bagby has allowed the greatest number of hits, 231 safeties.

Howard Ehmke, the tall Tiger twirler, has fanned 49 batsmen and walked 76, while 160 blows have been made off his curves.

## AMATEUR TITLE IS BEING FOUGHT FOR BY LEADERS TODAY

Maroons and Truxtons are meeting today at Union Station grounds in the first of a series of two basketball games for the amateur championship of the District.

The teams were tied up in their two engagements in the regularly scheduled contests. Protests from Maroons were thrashed out at an amateur association meeting and it was decided to play both games over.

Maroons must win one game to annex the title, while a double win for the Truxtons would necessitate the playing off of the remaining scheduled contest with the General Office team, third participant for the city title.

The teams will engage again tomorrow at Union Station grounds. Maroons have won two battles, both from General Office, while the Truxtons have won one from the Terminal Railroad Y. M. C. A. Leaguers.

**STADIUM IS USELESS.**  
CAMBRIDGE, Sept. 5.—Though Harvard will have freshman football this season, no games will be played in the stadium. The turf was ruined by the staking of an outdoor spectacle this summer, and will have to be resodded before it can be used again.

**BIG LEAGUE BIFFERS.**  
Jackson, White Sox, 1; Rogers, Browns, 2; Nuyamaker, Tanks, 1; Lohert, Giants, 2; Koon, Browns, 1; Merkle, Cubs, 4; Deal, Cubs, 2; Curry, Pirates, 4; Caldwell, Yanks, 4.

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